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TO: M. F. Millikan 25X1A5a1  
FROM: [REDACTED]  
DATE: 5 December 1951  
SUBJECT: PROGRESS REPORT: (1) EXPLANATION, (2) DISTRIBUTION,  
(3) SCHEDULE OF REPORTS

1. The object of this report is to give a brief description of the current status of the various projects sponsored by the United States Government under contract [REDACTED]. It is not intended as a technical report:  
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a. Because we believe that the interest and therefore the distribution of technical reports would not be the same as for Progress Reports and that, this being true, a combination would only confuse and weaken the value of both;

b. Because technical reports do not lend themselves to a pre-determined chronological sequence.

Since this is the first Progress Report there has been included a brief summary of the purpose and background of the various tasks as well as a list of personnel with a short description of each person's relationship to the project. (Appendix I)

2. As you requested, the main report and Appendix I are on ditto masters in order that your office handle the distribution. If it is at all possible, we would appreciate receiving from your office a copy of the distribution list. We did not submit Appendixes II, III, and IV on ditto masters because:

a. These reports are more in the nature of technical reports;  
b. These reports had already been prepared and the master copies destroyed;

c. They have already received some distribution; and

d. A few additional copies are still available [REDACTED]

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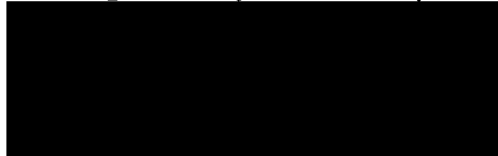
3. We should like to request that this report be accepted as satisfactory fulfillment of contractual requirements for such reports during the period from April 1, 1951 to December 1, 1951. Would you be so kind as to let us know if this arrangement is satisfactory?

If it is agreeable with you, we would propose the following schedule for future interim Progress Reports:

- a. Preparation as of February 1, 1952 and April 1, 1952;
- b. Submission to the government within fifteen days thereafter.

It is our hope that this report meets with your approval, that our interpretation of its intent is correct, and that our method of presentation is satisfactory. We would appreciate any comments you may have.

Respectfully submitted,



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